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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed October 20, 2004, Applicant hereby provisionally elects claims Group I, claims 1-22 and 33-34 for continued examination, without traverse

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2375, under Order No. 10315951 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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